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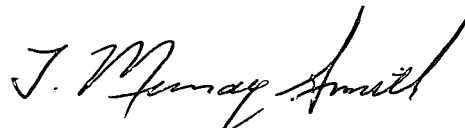
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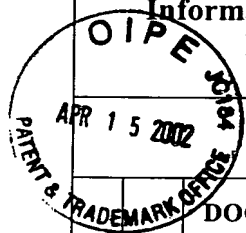
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R	U.S. Serial No. 10/052,940 filed January 18, 2002, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ADDING AND DROPPING OPTICAL SIGNAL COMPONENTS", by inventors Clay E. Towery et al., 35 pages of text and 6 pages of drawings. (Attorney Docket No. 069078.0108, ET009)
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